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In re application of:

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.56  
OF RELATED APPLICATION(S) AND OFFICE ACTION(S)

Sir:

Applicant(s) would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that the following  
applications,

| U.S. Application/ Pat. No. | File Date         | Atty. Docket. No. |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 09/746,580                 | December 20, 2000 | 50277-0410        |
| 10/056,716                 | January 22, 2002  | 50277-1763        |
| 09/798,618                 | March 1, 2001     | 50277-1593        |
| 09/798,617                 | March 1, 2001     | 50277-1588        |
| 09/871,853                 | March 4, 2002     | 50277-1653        |
| 10/092,047                 | March 4, 2002     | 50277-1776        |
| 10/091,618                 | March 4, 2002     | 50277-1725        |
| 10/435,229                 | May 9, 2003       | 50277-2200        |

referred to as the "related applications", contain subject matter that is related to the subject matter of the present application. The related applications may contain one or more claims that are substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, and those claims may have been rejected in the related applications. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file histories of the related applications as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

The Examiner is also hereby notified that for the following related application(s) an Office Action has been received as indicated below:

| U.S. Application/<br>Pat. No. | File Date     | Office Action<br>Mailing Date | Atty. Docket.<br>No. |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 09/798,618                    | March 1, 2001 | September 24, 2004            | 50277-1593           |
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The related application(s) contain(s) one or more claims that may be substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, those claims may have been rejected in the related application(s), and a different interpretation may have been applied to one or more of the references that are of record in the present application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file history(ies) of the related application(s) as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

Throughout the pendency of this application, please charge any additional fees, including any required extension of time fees, and credit all overpayments to deposit account 50-1302. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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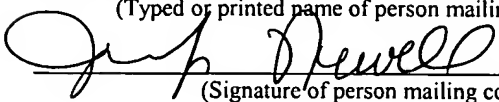
  
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